

NIS COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 54

17 January 1950

1. The following were present:

Dr. Appleton  
Mr. Lydman  
Mr. Fletcher  
Lt. Col. Ruwet  
Lt. Col. Kiel  
Col. Hayward  
Lt. Cdr. Nutt  
Maj. Belongia

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2. It was brought to the attention of the Committee that the CIA Coordinator of Chapter IX has made the following report:

a. For some time there has been a monthly average of at least one security violation by working level members of IAC Agencies in their telephone conversations with CIA. These violations have consisted mostly in mentioning the NIS number in connection with the name of the NIS area.

b. Three such violations occurred on 9 January 1950. It was requested that the provisions of NIS MEMO NO. 11, 7 November 1949 (Classification of NIS) be again impressed upon working level personnel in order to eliminate such violations.

3. Certain changes in the descriptions of NIS Areas were adopted.

4. A proposal to change from Army to Air Force the responsibility for preparing portions of sub-subsections of Sections 91-B-8 and 92-B-7 (both Plans and Maps of Urban Areas) dealing with aerial photo mosaics was read. The main reason for this change is that the collection and filing of aerial photo mosaics and aerial film and prints is the primary responsibility of Air Force rather than of Army. Over-all responsibility for these sub-subsections would be retained by Army. The change had been proposed at working level by Army and concurred in at working level by Air Force. It was the consensus of the Committee that Army is to retain over-all responsibility for the preparation of the sub-subsections and that the proposed change in responsibility for preparing parts thereof is purely a working level matter with which the Committee is not concerned.

5. It was decided to use the phraseology of NATURE, PURPOSE, AND SCOPE OF THE NIS PROGRAM for all instructions for COMMENTS ON PRINCIPAL SOURCES.

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6. Revisions of Standard Instructions for Chapters V (Political) and VIII (Armed Forces) were tentatively approved. Final drafts of these instructions will be prepared and sent to the IAC Agencies for final concurrence.

7. The current status of revisions of Standard Instructions is as follows:

<u>ELEMENT</u>	<u>CHAPTER COORDINATOR</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
Nature, Purpose, and Scope of the NIS Program	NIS Committee	Approved.
Editorial Instructions	CIA	Final draft being prepared.
NIS Areas	CIA	"
Chapter I (Brief)	CIA	Not to be taken up until other chapters have been cleared.
Chapter II (Military Geography)	ARMY	Second revision being studied in CIA.
Chapter III (Transportation and Telecommunications)	ARMY	Second revision being prepared. Due 24 Jan 50.
Chapter IV (Sociological)	STATE	Second revision submitted to CIA.
Chapter V (Political)	STATE	Tentatively approved.
Chapter VI (Economic)	CIA (State, Section Coordinator)	First revision still in process. Expected shortly.
Chapter VII (Scientific)	ARMY	Revision held in abeyance pending action by Scientific Intelligence Committee.
Chapter VIII (Armed Forces)	ARMY	Tentatively approved.
Chapter IX (Map and Chart Appraisal)	CIA	Approved.
Supp. I (Ports and Naval Facilities)	ARMY & NAVY	See Ch. III above.

<u>ELEMENT</u>	<u>CHAPTER COORDINATOR</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
Supp. II (Air Facilities)	AIR FORCE	Discontinued.
Supp. III (Telecommunications)	ARMY	See Ch. III above.
Supp. IV (Urban Areas)	ARMY	No revision undertaken as yet.
Supp. V (Petroleum)	CIA	Original instructions being formulated by MBPC.

8. The next meeting was scheduled for 1000 hours, Tuesday, 24 January 1950, at CIA.

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